CHAPTER VIII.

UMBRELLAS AND KAMBLIS.

Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 890, dated 20th October 1921.

Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 915, dated 13th January 1922.

Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 890, dated 18th November 1925.

Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 890, dated 13th May 1930.

Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 4227/33, dated 5th October 1938.

182. *Supply of Kamblis and Umbrellas.*—Kamblis and umbrellas are supplied every two years. The Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, Bombay, purchases a fresh supply every year and they are supplied to all officers of the Government of Bombay free of charge when due.

183. *Local purchase of umbrellas and kamblis disallowed.*—Some officers of Government were previously purchasing locally umbrellas and kamblis required for the use of their peons and hamals, etc., on the inferior staff of their offices, but this power has since been withdrawn by Government and the contract grants sanctioned for such purchases have been reduced. No officers of Government should, therefore, purchase any umbrellas or kamblis departmentally direct without the sanction of Government.

184. *Forms of indent.*—No special forms of indent for these items are printed and supplied. The requirements of umbrellas and kamblis should be communicated to the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, Bombay, by the indenting officers by letter which shall be treated as indent for the purpose of supplying the articles. When the indent is returned signed by the indenting officer, it will be treated as an acknowledgment for audit purposes in support of the supply received by the officer.

185. *Scrutiny of demand and check by the stationery office.*—The office of the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, maintains a register showing the total strength of the inferior servants on each office. The number of umbrellas and kamblis indented for each time is carefully checked with the strength of the establishment and the number indented for is allowed after the check is exercised.

186. *Supply of umbrellas and kamblis at one time along with stationery.*—With a view to save packing and freight charges on the

supply of a small quantity of one or two umbrellas or kamblis piece-meal when indented for by officers, it was decided that a supply of these materials might be conveniently packed and despatched in one lot with that of stationery. These articles were therefore included in the annual indent form of stationery under items Nos. 230 and 231.

Umbrellas and kamblis are ordinarily required for use during the monsoon and a bulk of the supply is indented for in the months of May and June. On experience, it was however found that the supply of these articles along with stationery, after the monsoon and their maintenance in good condition until the next season, was considered to be risky and undesirable as both umbrellas and kamblis if kept unused are likely to be damaged by moths and insects making them unfit for use during the following year. The inclusion of these items in the annual indent for stationery will not therefore serve a useful purpose and need not be indented for by officers along with stationery.

187. *Tenders for the purchase.*—Tenders for both umbrellas and kamblis are invited every year by the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery. In accordance with the standing orders umbrellas and kamblis must last for service for two years and suitable samples with regard to quality and price are selected and orders placed with the approved supplier for delivery of the stock in time.

188. *Umbrellas and kamblis as a Government property while in use.*—Umbrellas and kamblis being articles of a biennial supply shall be treated as Government property during the full period of two years. As soon as the first season for which they are supplied is over, the officers concerned shall get the umbrellas and kamblis back from their servants and keep them well protected for supply during the second year.

189. *Kamblis are not supplied to inferior servants in the City of Bombay.*—Peons and hamals in Government offices in the City of Bombay do not use kamblis while on duty and therefore the Government of Bombay have disallowed their supply to these servants (Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 890, dated 3rd November 1930).

190. *Exceptions.*—Government have however ordered a supply to be made to some servants under special sanction as under:—

No. 1.—A free biennial supply of kamblis to (*a*) malis, sweepers and others employed on out-of-doors duty, (*b*) a free biennial supply of either umbrellas or kamblis to the peons in the offices in the mofussil required to serve out-of-doors. The supply shall be made at the discretion of the head of the office who shall see that the concession granted is not abused and that it is restricted to the number required for the establishment of the peons and that it shall not be treated as a personal concession (Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 890, dated 3rd November 1930).

No. 2.—A free annual supply of kamblis to the malis of the Bombay Secretariat garden. (Separate Department Memorandum No. 542, dated 11th August 1933).

No. 3.—A yearly supply of either kamblis or umbrellas is made on payment as under, *vide* orders noted below.

Government Resolution, Public Works Department, No. S. 34/26586-A, dated 25th November 1932.

Government Resolution, Public Works Department, No. S. 34/1041-A, dated 23rd January 1933.

Government Resolution, Public Works Department, No. S. 34/4814-A, dated 13th March 1933.

Government Resolution, Public Works Department, No. S. 34/17939-A, dated 8th September 1934.

Government Resolution, Public Works Department, No. S. 34/3548-A, dated 8th March 1939—

(*i*) Kambli to the mali of the Co-operage garden.

(*ii*) Kamblis to the malis of the Public Works Department, Secretariat garden.

(*iii*) Kambli to the mali of the High Court garden.

(*iv*) Kamblis to the malis of the Charni Road gardens.

(*v*) Kamblis to the malis of the Oval garden.

(*vi*) Kamblis to the malis of the European burial ground.

(*vii*) Umbrella to the peon of the Co-operage garden.

(*viii*) Umbrellas to the peons of the Esplanade Maidan.

(*ix*) Umbrella to the peon of the Oval Maidan.

(*x*) Umbrella to the peon of the Kennedy Sea-face garden.

(*xi*) Umbrella to the peon of the Charni Road garden.

No. 4.—A free yearly supply of kamblis to the malis attached to hospitals in the Province of Bombay and the Bombay City (Government Resolution, General Department, No. 6571, dated 3rd October 1936).

No. 5.—A free supply every two years of 3 kamblis to the malis employed in the garden of the Poona Central Offices.

No. 6.—A free biennial supply of kamblis to the sweepers of the Bombay Development Directorate Chawls (Government Resolution, Public Works Department, No. S. 34/1250-A, dated 30th January 1939).

No. 7.—A supply of kamblis every two years *on payment* to the bungalow chowkidars in the Northern, Central, Southern and Deccan Irrigation Circles (Government Memorandum, Public Works Department, No. S. 34/12911-A, dated 1st June 1939).

No. 8.—A free supply of umbrellas every two years to all Excise and Tobacco peons serving in the City of Bombay (Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 9915-C/33, dated 24th February 1939).

No. 9.—A free supply every two years of twenty-eight kamblis and twelve umbrellas to the peons of the Criminal Investigation Department, Poona. Instead of twelve umbrellas every two years, six umbrellas to be supplied every year (Government Resolution, Home Department, No. 349/4, dated 24th February 1938).

No. 10.—Superior quality of kamblis at a cost not exceeding Rs. 5 per kambli for the use of the Forest guards should be purchased departmentally direct by the Chief Conservator of Forests and the Conservator of Forests, Central Circle (Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 890, dated 9th January 1931).

Umbrellas for the Bombay City Police.

Government Resolution, Finance Department, No. 890, dated 7th February 1922.

Government Resolution, Home Department, No. 7128/2, dated 23rd May 1930.

Government Resolution, Home Department, No. 7128/2, dated 10th July 1933.

191. *Supply of umbrellas to the Bombay City Police.*—Umbrellas are supplied every year to the Police Force of the Bombay City Police. As the Policemen have always to work in heavy rains in the monsoon, a better kind of umbrella is required. On the basis of the annual requirements intimated by the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, open tenders are invited every year in the month of November, by the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery. Suitable samples capable of sustaining heavy wear and tear of the whole of the monsoon are selected and sent to Government for approval. On receipt of final sanction necessary orders for the quantity required are placed by the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, with the approved tenderer. The cost of the umbrellas is paid from the grant of the Superintendent, and therefore the supply of umbrellas to the Bombay City Police is a free supply. As the Superintendent is responsible for the quality and material used in the manufacture of these umbrellas, the stock is delivered to the stationery office. A percentage of stock is examined by the Superintendent's office with the approved sealed sample and an intimation is sent to the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, to depute a responsible officer to the stationery stores to examine the supply and take its delivery. The number of umbrellas rejected by the Police officer is removed by the suppliers at their own cost and replaced.

192. *Disposal of old umbrellas.*—Umbrellas supplied to the Police Department in the Bombay City are treated as a Government property and are returned to the Police Office as soon as the season is over or when they are no longer required. At the close of each official year, the stock of such old umbrellas collected by the Commissioner's office is made over to the Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, who sees that it is disposed of by an open auction to the best advantage and the sale proceeds are credited to Government.